

Deputy and Chief of Staff

U.S. Atlantic Fleet

Vice Admiral Albert H. Konetzni, Jr.



Vice Admiral Albert H. Konetzni was born in New York City in 1944. He attended Archbishop Stepinac High School in White Plains, New York and entered the United States Naval Academy where he graduated with merit and received his commission in 1966.

Following graduation from the Naval Academy, Vice Admiral Konetzni attended Naval Submarine School in New London, Connecticut, Nuclear Power School in Mare Island, California and Naval Nuclear Power Prototype Training in West Milton, New York. He reported to USS MARIANO G. VALLEJO (SSBN 658) (Gold) in 1968. In 1970, Vice Admiral Konetzni reported to the United States Naval Academy and served as a Company Officer.

In 1972, Vice Admiral Konetzni reported to the Precommissioning Unit WILLIAM H. BATES (SSN 680) under construction in Pascagoula, Mississippi and served as Engineer Officer through commissioning until 1976. Following that tour, Vice Admiral Konetzni served as Executive Officer, USS KAMEHAMEHA (SSBN 642) (Gold) from June 1976 to December 1978. In December 1978, Vice Admiral Konetzni reported to the Naval Military Personnel Command and served as Submarine Placement Officer and Executive Officer Detailer. His first command tour was onboard USS GRAYLING (SSN 646) from August 1981 until May 1984.

Vice Admiral Konetzni served as Deputy Commandant of the U.S. Naval Academy from August 1984 until May 1987. He commanded Commander Submarine Squadron SIXTEEN from May 1987 until July 1989. After his squadron command, he served as Senior Fellow of the Chief of Naval Operations Strategic Studies Group. Vice Admiral Konetzni served as Deputy Director of the Submarine Strategic Division in the Office of the Assistant Chief of Naval Operations (Undersea Warfare) from July 1990 until April 1991. From April 1991 to April 1993, he served as Chief of Staff to Commander Submarine Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet. His next assignment was as Director, Attack Submarine Division (N872) at the Pentagon from June 1993 until February 1994. From February 1994 to November 1995, he served as the Assistant Chief of Naval Personnel for Total Force Programming and Manpower (PERS-5) and Assistant Chief of Naval Personnel for Personnel Policy and Career Progression (PERS-2). Prior to his current duties, he served as Commander Submarine Group SEVEN in Yokosuka, Japan from December 1995 to April 1998 and Commander Submarine Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet from May 1998 to May 2001. Vice Admiral Konetzni assumed his current duties as Deputy and Chief of Staff U.S. Atlantic Fleet on 4 May 2001.

Vice Admiral Konetzni is entitled to wear the Distinguished Service Medal, the Legion of Merit with a silver star, the Meritorious Service Medal with two gold stars, the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal with two gold stars, and the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal. He was also awarded the Order of National Security Merite Cheonsu Medal by the Republic of Korea in December 1997. He holds a Master's Degree in Industrial Personnel Management from George Washington University and is the co-author of the book *Command at Sea*.